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Glendale Glitters Spectacular Kicks Off a Breathtaking Display of Holiday Lights in Downtown Glendale on November 25

If you love the magic of holiday lights, then mark your calendar for Glendale's award-winning holiday festival, which has become a family tradition for so many across the Valley and state. This year the celebration kicks off on Friday, November 25 and Saturday, November 26, from 5-10 p.m. each evening, and the festivities will be as spectacular as ever!

The stunning display of 1.5 million LED lights will illuminate sixteen blocks of Historic Downtown Glendale, making it the largest free holiday light display in Arizona. Free admission and free shuttles make this award-winning event family friendly. During opening weekend only, free shuttle transportation is provided from Glendale Community College (north parking lots).

Visitors of all ages will delight in holiday entertainment, delectable food, hand-crafted holiday gifts,

a children's winter wonderland and petting zoo, shopping and, of course, visits with Jolly Ol' St. Nick. The festive stage show will feature special honored guests to help flip on the lights, as it counts down to the lighting ceremony on Friday evening, November 25 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The glittering magic of Glendale's holiday display remains lit nightly through January 7 from 5-11 p.m. each evening. Historic Downtown Glendale is located at 58th and Glendale avenues. INFO: 623-930-2299 or glendaleaz.com/events

Glendale Glitters is sponsored by APS, Cerreta Candy Company, Arizona Republic, KMLE, KOOL, Live 101.5, Kalil Bottling, Camelback Ranch-Glendale and Nationwide Insurance. Free Shuttles sponsored by Blue Cross® Blue Shield® of Arizona.

December Weekends: Friday and Saturday nights from 6 – 10 p.m.

December 2 – 3: Glendale's Jingle Bell Rockin' Nights | December 9 – 10: Glendale's Winter Wonderland Weekend December 16 – 17: Glendale's Spirit of Giving Weekend

Glendale Collects Cell Phones for America Recycles Day

Time to clean out the drawers for those old cell phones! In celebration of America Recycles Day on Nov. 15, Glendale has developed a special cell phone recycling program, which will run the entire month of November. The public is encouraged to drop off old cell phones at Gila River Arena at Gate 3 on the Northwest corner of the building, at the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau, Glendale Community College or at any of Glen-

dale's three public libraries. The cell phones will then go to the Glendale Family Advocacy Center to be refurbished and will become available for victims of stalking and domestic violence. Statistics show that cell phones are replaced approximately after only 18 months of use. It is important to keep cell phones out of landfills. INFO: 623-930-2660

Annual Open House event in Downtown Glendale Nov. 12

Start your holiday shopping at the 20th Annual Holiday Open House in Historic Downtown Glendale on Saturday, November 12 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Enjoy spectacular shopping, delicious dining and plenty of free parking. Shops throughout Old Towne and Catlin Court will be decorated and filled with gifts, decorations, home décor and all your needs for the

holidays. In addition, the Glendale Visitor Center is collecting items for a "Treats for the Troops" drive to send holiday care packages to deployed service men and women. For a complete list of needed items and more information about the event, call 623-930-4500 or log on to visitglendale.com.









A Message from Councilmember

Lauren Tolmachoff



The City of Glendale is currently seeking residents with diverse experiences, interests, and talents to serve on a Glendale board or commission. These advisory groups assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that

impact our community. Glendale high school students can also play a role in shaping our city. The Library Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission each include two high school student members.

To serve on a board or commission, you must be a Glendale resident, submit an application, be willing to take the required 3-hour basic training class, and be committed to attending regularly scheduled meetings. The time commitment for each board and commission varies, but most meet once a month for a couple of hours.

If you are interested in serving on a board or commission, and would like to learn more about the duties and responsibilities, please contact the City Council Office at 623-930-2249 and a brochure will be mailed to you. You can also visit the boards and commissions website to learn more and submit an application. That website is https://www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions/.

On behalf of the City of Glendale, I extend my gratitude and appreciation to those who are currently serving, and who have served, on a Glendale board or commission.

Best Regards, Lauren Tolmachoff Councilmember, Cholla District

Free Green-Living Class: Healthy Soil = Happy Plants November 2

A productive garden begins with good soil! Creating a healthy soil for your garden is key to long term plant success. Good soil improves the vigor of your plants and reduces the need for excessive watering. Pam Perry, gardening educator and enthusiast, will walk you through the steps to improving your soil condition. Join us on Wednesday, November 2 from 6-7:30~p.m. at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) in the auditorium. Register at 623-930-3760 or greenliving@glendaleaz.com. To see a schedule of green-living classes, visit glendaleaz.com/green.

Glendale Airport Open House and 5K Run November 5

Please join us on Saturday, November 5 from 8 a.m. -2 p.m. for the Glendale Airport's Open House & Airstrip 5K and Kids 1 Mile Dash. The Glendale Airport is located at 6801 N. Glen Harbor Boulevard. This is less than 2 miles west of the 101 and Glendale Avenue. This event is sponsored by the Glendale Convention & Visitor's Bureau. Sign up for the run at wingsandsneakers.com. INFO: 623-930-4740

Mystery Shopping Class November 30

Looking for extra income? Imagine eating at a restaurant or going to the movies and getting paid to do it. Learn what mystery shopping is, how to get started, how to get assignments and evaluate businesses such as restaurants, movie theaters, etc. Class is based on instructor's 15 years of experience in the field. This class is for ages 18+ and will be held on Wednesday, November 30 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Glendale Adult Center (5970 W. Brown Street). Preregistration is required. Class price is \$35 (non-resident \$42). INFO: 623-930-4613

Tellabration!™ Stories from the Heart of Arizona November 12

Glendale Main Library 5959 W. Brown St. Auditorium and Meeting Rooms

Join us for the second annual Tellabration™ festival held at the Glendale Public Library! Tellers and audiences of all ages are welcome at our celebration of the art of storytelling. Anyone attending Tellabration[™] will have an opportunity to try their hand at storytelling at the open stage. This free community event is offered in partnership with the West Side Story Tellers, http://westsidestorytellers.weebly.com. This project is supported by the Arizona State Library, Archives & Public Records, a division of the Secretary of State, with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Join us on Saturday, from 1 - 4 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3573

Confetti: Favorite Broadway Songs & Dance November 19

Foothills Branch Library 19055 N. 57th Ave., I Roadrunner Room

Enjoy an afternoon of entertainment performed by Spotlight Youth Theatre's performing arts troupe, featuring kids ages 7-14. Join us on Saturday, at 2 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3844

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